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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

SUBJECT : S.2525 - Proposed Intelligence Charter Legislation

1. As you will recall, by your memorandum of 6 December 1977 you asked that I assume primary responsibility for the coordination and development of the authoritative Administration position concerning the proposed intelligence charter legislation, reserving for the National Security Council's Special Coordination Committee final review and approval.

2. At a meeting of the National Foreign Intelligence Board on 14 February 1978, based upon that charge and my further conversations with you on this subject, I instructed the various entities of the Intelligence Community to analyze thoroughly the legislation as introduced on 9 February and to submit resulting comments and suggestions on 28 March. Many comments have been received, with more to come, and have been reviewed briefly. In addition, I have discussed with the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, my Deputy for Resource Management and my General and Legislative Counsels, the complexities of the proposed legislation and the steps that are necessary to ready ourselves for the legislative ordeal that lies ahead.

3. The attached memorandum discusses in summary fashion the major issues which the proposed legislation presents and requests that the appropriate Department Heads join in an organizational arrangement to permit us jointly to address these issues forthwith.


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